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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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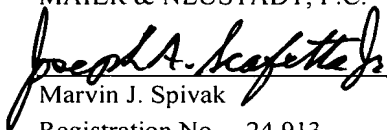
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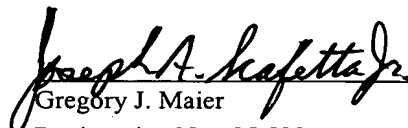
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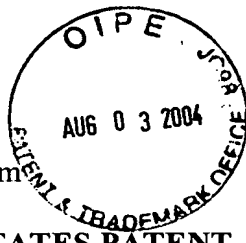
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

References AA (US 5,696,756) and AO (JP 2810028) on Form PTO-1449:

According to this reference, a reference code is recorded in lead-in areas. If the technology shown in the publication is applied to DVD-R however, signals cannot be stably reproduced from the lead-in areas of the DVD-R.

This reference is discussed in the specification.

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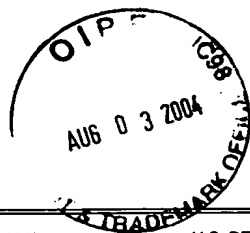
LIST OF RELATED CASES

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PER CLIENT	10/233,671	09/04/02	ANDO
PER CLIENT	10/795,396	03/09/04	MARUYAMA et al.
PER CLIENT	10/170,226	06/13/02	ANDO et al.
246944US2S	10/742,904	12/23/03	KOJIMA
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EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	5,696,756	12/09/1997	S. FUJIMOTO, et al.			
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	AO	2810028	07/31/1998	JAPAN (corr. US 5,696,756)			x
	AP	WO 03/079335	09/25/2003	WIPO (with English Abstract)			X
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